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1. AMBASSADOR TOOK OCCASION OF NOV. 13 CALL ON MIN PTT
KAYYAL TO EXPRESS USG'S INTEREST IN AMERICAN COMPANY
BEING AWARDED ARABSAT CONSULTANCY. KAYYAL NOTED THAT
PROBLEM IS TICKLISH FOR SAG, WHICH HAS ONLY ONE VOTE ON

ARABSAT BOARD IN SPITE OF ITS 26 PERCENT EQUITY SHARE.

SAG DOES NOT WISH TO PUSH ITS PARTNERS IN PROJECT, HE SAID, BUT IT BELIEVES THAT IN TIME THEY WILL APPRECIATE THAT ONLY AN AMERICAN COMPANY IS CAPABLE OF HANDLING A PROJECT OF THE PROPOSED SCALE.

2. DR. KAYYAL WOULD NOT ON THE OTHER HAND BE DRAWN OUT ON POSSIBLE AWARD OF SAUDI AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE PROJECT. HE NOTED THAT BIDS (FROM ITT, WESTERN ELECTRIC, AND PHILIPS) ARE BEING EVALUATED BY TECHNICAL COMMITTEES THAT STATUS REPORT WILL BE PREPARED BY DEC. 8, BUT THAT FINAL AWARD WILL NOT BE MADE FOR ABOUT TWO MONTHS. AMBASSADOR EXPRESSED HOPE THAT AWARD COULD BE MADE TO ONE OF AMERICAN COMPANIES, BUT DR. KAYYAL REMAINED NONCOMMITTAL.
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